

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the Specification as follows:

Page 1, line 4, under the CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section, please amend the paragraph starting there-at as follows:

"This non-provisional United States (U.S.) patent application claims the benefit of and is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/939,413 filed on August 23, 2001 by inventors Liew Chuang Chiu et al. entitled "PULL-ACTION DE-LATCHING MECHANISMS FOR FIBER OPTIC MODULES" which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/313,232 ~~60/—~~, filed on August 16, 2001 by inventors Liew Chuang Chiu et al., entitled "DE-LATCHING MECHANISMS FOR FIBER OPTIC MODULES"; and also claims the benefit of and is a continuation in part (CIP) of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/896,695, filed on June 28, 2001 by inventors Liew Chuang Chiu et al., titled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PUSH BUTTON RELEASE FIBER OPTIC MODULES", ~~and also which~~ claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/283,843 filed on April 14, 2001 by inventors Liew Chuang Chiu et al. entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PUSH BUTTON RELEASE FIBER OPTIC MODULES", all of which are to be assigned to E2O Communications, Inc.

This non-provisional United States (U.S.) patent application and is also related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/939,403 ~~—/—~~, filed on August 23, 2001 by Liew C. Chiu et al., ~~titled entitled~~ "DE-LATCHING MECHANISMS FOR FIBER OPTIC MODULES", ~~having Attorney Docket No. 003918.P017X2;~~ U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/656,779, filed on September 7, 2000 by

Cheng Ping Wei et al. having Attorney Docket No. 003918.P002XX2; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/321,308, filed on May 27, 1999 by Wenbin Jiang et al. having Attorney Docket No. 003918.P002X; and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/320,409, filed on May 26, 1999 by Wenbin Jiang et al., now U.S. Pat. No. 6,213,651B having Attorney Docket No. 003918.P002, all of which are to be assigned to E2O Communications, Inc."

Page 4, line 9, please amend the paragraph starting there-at as follows:

"Figure 4A is an exploded view ~~for~~ from the rear of an embodiment of a hot pluggable fiber optic module."

Page 4, line 11, prior to "Figure 5 ...", please insert the following two paragraphs:

"Figure 4B is a magnified view of a side of a male electrical connector to provide hot pluggability.

Figure 4C is a magnified view of another side of the male electrical connector to provide hot pluggability."

Page 5, line 3, prior to "Figures 10A-10E ...", please insert the following paragraph:

"Figures 9A-9I are various views of an embodiment of a kicker-actuator for fiber optic modules."

Page 5, line 3, please amend the paragraph starting there-at as follows:

"Figures 10A-10G 10E are views of a subassembly of the fiber optic modules of Figures 7A-7D illustrating the pull-actuator of Figures 7A-7F 8A-8G and the kicker-actuator of Figures 9A-9I assembled coupled to the nose receptacle of Figures 8A-8E and the optical port of Figures 9A-9E of fiber optic modules."

Page 45, line 17, please amend the paragraph starting there-at, which continues over to page 47, as follows:

"Figures 29A-29I illustrate yet another alternative embodiment of the pivot-arm actuator 2204'. In this embodiment the pivot-arm actuator 2204' further includes a spring 2912. According to various embodiments the spring 2912 may be formed from the same material as the pivot-arm actuator 2204' or it may be a separate component coupled to the pivot-arm actuator 2204'. The spring 2912 may be any kind of spring including a coil spring, leaf spring, carriage spring, compression spring, conical spring, helical spring, volute spring, spiral spring, scragged spring, and other well known types of springs. The pivot-arm actuator 2204' is pivotally coupled to the body of the nose receptacle 2200' by means of a pivoting pin 2906."